PRESIDENT.—

The relevant section (S. O. No. 17) runs thus:—"A member desiring to make any observations on any matter before the Council shall speak from his place, shall rise when he speaks and shall address the President. At any time if the President rises, any member speaking shall resume his seat." The Legislative Council Secretary, reading out questions and answers, is not making any observations. The Secretary is in order.

Mr. C. A. OUSEPH (*Chalakkudi*).

May I raise a further point of order? Whether a member putting a supplementary question should rise, and whether in putting the question, he is addressing the House?

PRESIDENT.—

I think he should rise.

Working of the Tenancy Regulation.

Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNI RAJA (*Landlords*).

35. Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table of the House the petitions received after the date of the Tenancy Regulation on its working and the opinions of the various officers and associations called for by the Government and the final orders of the Government in the matter?

RAO SAHIB T. V. KASTURI RANGA AYYAR (*Diwan Peishkar*).

Government are not now in a position to lay on the table the papers asked for.

Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNI RAJA (*Landlords*).

Will the Government be pleased to state whether these papers exist?

RAO SAHIB T. V. KASTURI RANGA AYYAR (*Diwan Peishkar*).

Some papers exist.

Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNI RAJA (*Landlords*).

36. (a) Will the Government be pleased to state whether it was consulted by the Madras Government with regard to the proposed Malabar Tenancy Regulation?

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(b) If so, will the Government be pleased to lay on the table of the House the opinions which it expressed in the matter?

RAO SAHIB T. V. KASTURI RANGA AYYAR (*Diwan Peishkar*).

(a) No.

(b) This question does not arise in view of the answer given in (a).

Appointments in the Land Revenue Department.

Mr. M. K. RAMAN (*Ezhuva South*).

37. Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the following:—

(1) The number of appointments in the Land Revenue Department with pay above Rs. 15;

(2) The percentage of (1) Brahmins, (2) Nayars, and (3) non-caste Hindus holding the said appointments;

(3) The total number of Parvathiakarans and Menons in the Department;

(4) The percentage of non-caste Hindus among them;

(5) The percentage of Nayars; and

(6) The percentage of Brahmins?

RAO SAHIB T. V. KASTURI RANGA AYYAR (*Diwan Peishkar*).

A statement giving the information is laid on the table. (*Vide Appendix 6.*)

Appointment of Parvathiakarans.

Mr. M. K. RAMAN (*Ezhuva South*).

38. Will the Government be pleased to let the Council know how many applicants there were for the posts of Parvathiakarans and Menons from the non-caste Hindus during the last three years and how many of them were entertained ?

(b) How many caste-Hindu applicants were there for the same posts during the same period and how many of them were entertained?

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